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Dear Sir:

On November 17, 2003, an Office Action (Paper No. 14) was issued. This Office Action is defective, as it does not address new claims 24-32. This point was brought to the Examiner's attention in a telephone conversation, wherein re-issuance of a new, more complete Office Action was requested. Applicants were told that the Examiner could not act. However, it appears that the Examiner should act, especially given Sec. 710.06 of the MPEP.

In addition to this error, there is an IDS which was filed on April 6, 2001 which still has not been reviewed, despite three requests for consideration.

Furthermore, Applicants do not believe that their arguments in Sec. V on pages 21-23 of the response dated October 2, 2003 have been given consideration.

Applicants respectfully request issuance of an adequate Office Action which at minimum at least addresses all of the pending claims.

Should the Examiner believe that a conference with Applicants' attorney would advance prosecution of this application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to call Applicants' attorney at (847) 383-3391.

Respectfully submitted,

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